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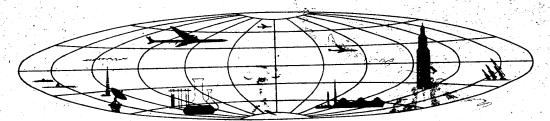


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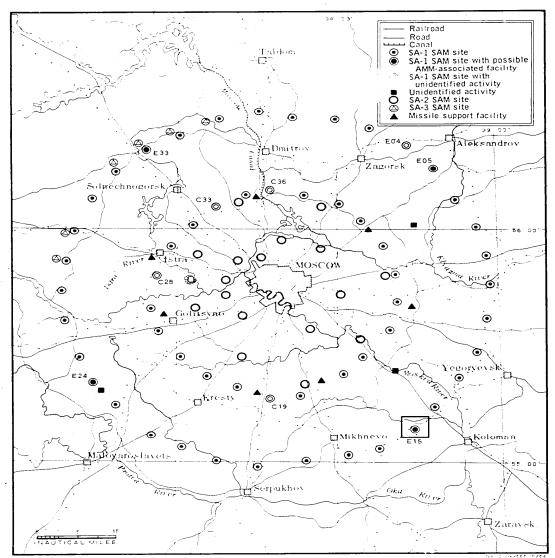


FIGURE 1. LOCATION OF POSSIBLE AMM-ASSOCIATED FACILITY.

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SUMMARY

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Analysis reveals that construction of the possible AMM-associated facility at Moscow SAM Site E15-1 had not progressed as far as previously reported. 1-3

It has now been ascertained that the three major buildings referred to as the "triad" are in early-to-midstages of construction. The exact function of the facility is still undetermined.

INTRODUCTION

TRIAD

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25X1D 25X1D SAM Site E15-1 is located at 55-09-50N 38-22-15E (Figure 1). The SA-1 site appeared complete on KEYHOLE photography of

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but new construction was apparent on photography. Four additional buildings had been added to the support area by and two more were constructed between

raphy, an access road parallel to the SA-1 launch area was under construction to the southeast corner of the launch area, and in preliminary site preparation for the triad was underway in that corner. By the site preparation had assumed a triangular pattern, and two weeks later the exterior walls of the three major triad buildings were under construction. Since then, construction on the buildings has continued (Figures 2-4). The following description of the major components of the SAM site is based on photography of

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The largest building of the triad measures

high (Figure 4, item 1). The visible sides of the exterior walls appear complete with no window or door openings (Figure 5).

The roof of the building, which has probable parapets on all sides, is still under construction. On the south center of the roof is an elevated platform that appears enclosed on all sides and that measures square by approximately

high. The shaft of the platform appears to extend through the roof of the building and to have openings on the north and south sides. On top of the platform there are two unidentified, dark, indistinct objects. There are two other openings in the roof; the larger one is north of

the platform and extends almost the entire width of the building with cross beams visible through the opening in the roof. The smaller opening is at the southwest corner of the building, parallel to the west wall.

A tower crane is adjacent to the northeast corner of the building, and unidentified material is scattered around the sides of the building. Adjacent and parallel to the south end of the building, the structure previously reported as similar to those seen at triads at Sary-Shagan Antimissile Test Center SSATC 3 is under 25X1D construction Figure 4, item 2). The probable footings for the structure were first observed

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Two smaller buildings, located north of the large building on the side toward Moscow, complete the triad. The northeast building Figure 4, item 3), which is on the east side of an SA-1 control bunker, is and approximately feet high. The visible exterior walls on the second level of the building do not appear complete. The roof of the building is flat and possibly has a low parapet on four sides. Approximately 90 percent of the roof has been constructed. At the approximate center of the building is a vertical shaft that is probably still under construction. Although this shaft is smaller than the elevated platform on the large rectangular building, it is probably intended to serve the same function. The squareshaped shaft appears slightly clevated above the roof of the second level and extends down through 25X1D

it. Openings in the roof were noted on the east and west sides of the shaft.

Construction on the northwest building (item 4), which measures feet by approximately feet high, has not progressed as far as the north est building. The first level appears con: .. but construction on the exterior walls and roof of the second level has not been completed. A square vertical shaft similar to the one at the northeast building extends down through the ceiling of the first level. The roof of the second level is being constructed around the vertical shaft with openings on the two sides of the shaft where roofing has been laid. The top of the vertical shaft appears even with the roof of the second level. Two parallel dark lines extend a short distance out from the vertical shaft toward the west



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wall of the building. Similar parallel darklines may be present on the opposite side of the shaft, but shadows from the partially completed roof of the second level preclude firm identification. A tower crane is adjacent to the building on the south side, and unidentified material is observed on the north side of the building.

South of the launch area and east of the large rectangular building there are nine other structures. Item numbers in the following list are keyed to Figure 4, and all but the ones with an asterisk are portrayed in Figure 5.

.5. Building probably gable roof

6. Building by approximately feet high, flat roof

7. Probable building under construction, one wall visible, dimensions undeter- 25X1D mined

8. Building by approximately feet high, low-pitched gable roof 25X1D

9. Building low-pitched gable root 25X1D

*10. Unidentified structure 25X1D approximately feet high 11. Building under construction, 25X1D

feet by approximately feet high, lowpitched gable roof. A tower crane is adjacent to the west side of the building

*12. Unidentified structure

13. Lattice tower approximately high.

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LAUNCH AREA

On photography of , a probable drive-through structure feet by approximately high was identified at one of the SA-1 launch positions (Figure 4, item 14). Similar structures were identified at SAM Sites E14-1 and E16-1. Reanalysis of earlier coverage revealed that the structure at E15-1 was present on photography of The function of the structure has not been determined, but possibly it provides temporary environmental shelter.

On the good quality stereo, photography of patterns in the snow give some indication of the degree of activity at the site · (Figure 6). The site service road was cleared of snow from the ring road to the support area. The branch road to the guidance area appears to have a light snow cover with no tracks visible. South of the support area, light track activity is visible leading into and around the possible AMM-associated facility. Roads within the launch area appear to have a light covering of snow, possibly from drifting, with no track

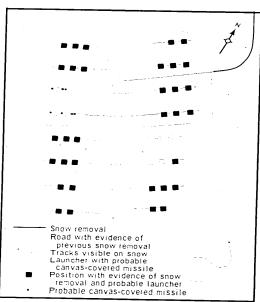


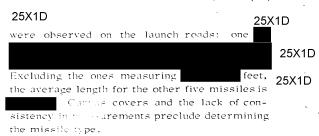
FIGURE 6. LAUNCH AREA ACTIVITY,

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activity visible: but walls of snow along the edges of launch area roads and at the launch positions give evidence of previous snow removal.

Although the SA-1 launchers appear to be in the launch positions, snow cover precludes confirming this. Not all the positions have missiles emplaced or appear active. Figure 6 shows the degree of activity at the launch positions. At least seven canyas-covered missiles



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GUIDANCE AREA

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The Yo-Yo radar appears at its normal location. A light covering of snow blankets the roads within the secured area. Dimensions for structures within the fenced area are listed below, with item numbers keyed to Figure 7.

1. Support building by approximately high, gable roof

Probable drive-through building ad- 25X1D jacent to and probably connected with the Yo-Yo radar bunker, feet high, flat roof



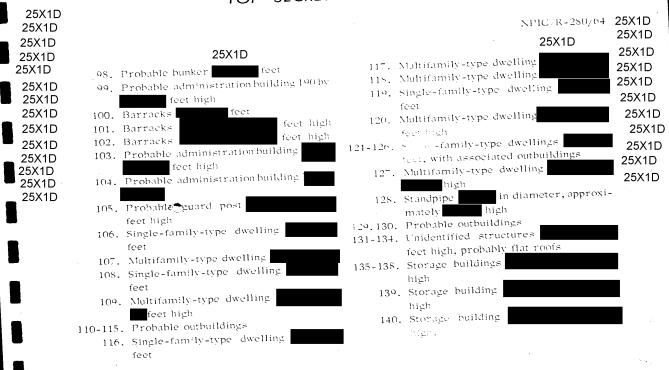
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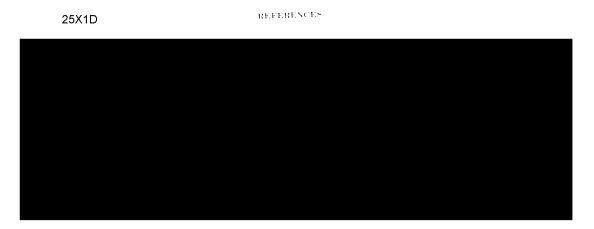
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NPIC, R=280, 64 25X1D 25X1D 25X1D . Possible generator building 3. Yo-Yo radar bunker, occupied. by approximately high, flat roof 25X1D 25X1D concrete apron on south side 8. Unidentified structure by ap-25X1D 25X1D 4. Barracks high proximately 25X1D feet high, gable roof high, **25X1D** 9. Guard shack 25X1D 5. Unidentified building gable roof 25X1D probably gable roof 10. Boresight pole. 6. Unidentified structure by approximately high . 25X1D 25X1D SUPPORT AREA 25X1D 25X1D 25X1D ^{feet}: 25X1D 25X1D 👡 o. Bilevel support building permits a more accurate count first level high, second level 25X1D of the buildings within the support area and 25X1D high 25X1D 10. Building feet high, 25X1D 25X1D There are 139 buildings in the support area, probably flat roof including 3 administration-type buildings, 43 25X1D 11-15. Apartment-type buildings dwelling units, 63 support buildings and 30 25X1D approximately feet high, flat roofs 25X1D miscellaneous structures. Buildings have gable 25X1D feet 25X1D 16. Support building roofs unless otherwise stated in the following de-25X1D high, probably gable roof tailed list (item numbers are keyed to Figure 8). feet high 25X1D 17. Support building 25X1D 1. Apartment-type building foot 18. Support building 25X1D 25X1D high, flat roof center section is high, the re-25X1D 2. Support building high mainder is 25X1D high, flat roof probably 25X1D 19. Support building 3. Probable thermal plant gable roof 25X1D by high; a stack at northwest 20. Support building feet corner of building 25X1D 21. Barracks-type building 4. Unidentified building 25X1D feet high feet high, flat roof. At the east end of 22. Unidentified structure the roof is what appears to be an oblate 25X1D 23. Building under construction spheroidal structure feet, feet, 2 walls visible which has at its approximate center a 25X1D 24. Excavation containing one POL tank light reflective object that has some in diameter and 25X1D approximately height the possible foundation for a second tank 25X1D 5. Unidentified structure 25. Towerlike structure approximately feet high, probably gable roof 25X1D feet in diameter 6. Support building feet 25X1D 26. Possible batch plant high, flat roof 27. Support building 25X1D T. Support building high with an extension by approxhigh, flat roof imately 8. Unidentified structure flat roof 28. Probable shed feet high

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